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REQUEST BED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/852,664
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Group Art Unit	1753
Examiner Name	K. Mayekar
Attorney Docket Number	107348-00102

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to application Examination and Provisions Application Practice, Fine Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gez. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1.	1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114					
	а.	⊠ i.	Pre ⊠	viously submitted Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on (Any April 15, 2004 unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).		
		ii.		Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on		
		iii.		Other		
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	i. Amendment/Reply					
	ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)					
	iii.					
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	a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for					
	a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)					
	b.		Oth	ner er e		
3.	F	ees		The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.		
	a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, fee deficiency or credit any overpayments, to					
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		i.	\boxtimes	RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)		
		ii.	\boxtimes	Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)		
	iii.					
	b.	\boxtimes	Che	eck in the amount of \$880.00 (\$770.00 RCE Fee \$110.00 EOT)		
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